PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

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Special Meeting, July 14.

Present, five members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

The presiding officer announced the death of Benjamin W. Richards, Esq. Treasurer of the Society, which occurred on the 13th inst. in the fifty-third year of his age, and stated that he had called this special meeting in consequence thereof.

Whereupon, after some remarks by Judge Kane on the public and private life and virtues of the deceased, the following resolutions were proposed by him and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, 1. That the members will attend the funeral as mourners. 2. That a member be appointed to prepare a notice of the life and character of Mr. Richards, the late Treasurer of this Society.

3. That the members tender their sympathy and condolence to the family of the deceased, and that the Secretary be instructed to communicate to them a copy of these proceedings.

Judge Kane was appointed, under the second resolution, to prepare an obituary notice of Mr. Richards.

Stated Meeting, July 18.

Present, twelve members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:-

From the Imperial Society of Naturalists of Moscow, dated Moscow, 18th—30th April, 26th September, and 8th October, 1850, announcing donations to this Society:—

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